

DISTRICT SOLDIERS TAKE INSTRUCTION

Spend Profitable Day With
Big Guns at Fort
Washington.

TECHNICAL POINTS LEARNED QUICKLY

Highly Commended by the Regu-
lars—Boys Fight a Successful
Imaginary Battle.

FORT WASHINGTON, Md., July 28.—Under instruction of Major Straub, in command of the fire command station at Fort Washington, and of Lieutenant Terrell, the post adjutant, the entire staff of the Second Regiment spent the morning in the fire command station, learning the nomenclature of the instruments and how to work them. This was a fascinating task, and the militia officers hated to quit it. They were permitted to use the instruments as freely as they wished, and in about an hour they were running the fire command station themselves. They took turns at the various instruments, changing off in the order of the alphabet. They picked up targets from the passing boats, sighted the instruments on them, swung around the range finders, and kept up a continual imaginary fire upon the innocent barges, schooners, and other passing river craft.

Turning of this after a while, they annihilated the fire command station at Fort Hunt, and so vivid was the imaginary execution, they almost saw the guns blow up as they put the batteries out of commission. Even the tomb of the Father of His Country did not escape them, and they found the range on it just to show that they could.

To Defend Fort.

So well did they adapt themselves to their new task, and so enthusiastic over what to them was a new plaything, were they, that it has been decided that in some of the night attacks they will be entrusted with the defense of the fort against the enemy. They greeted this with enthusiasm, and woe to anything on the river that has the faintest suspicion of being hostile.

At 1 o'clock, after the militia had blown imaginary holes in everything for miles around, and worked the instruments almost out of joint, Major Straub gave a lecture on the fire control system, making particular application to the fire command station. He complimented the militia officers on their work and their enthusiasm, and the rapidity with which they absorbed the information placed at their disposal. He also complimented them upon the way they followed a target, and the accuracy of the work. In the future they will not have the assistance of the non-commissioned staff at the fort, but will be permitted to bring in their own non-commissioned staff.

In the meantime, the regimental staff officers at Fort Hunt were equally enthusiastic blowing imaginary holes in Washington. The company officers, with their commands, under the instruction of the officers and men of the regular coast artillery companies, were at the guns, as gleeily annihilating the passing craft as did the others.

Worked With Guns.

There was the real work of annihilation, for while the regimental staff merely used the instruments and directed the fire, they did the work with the guns. They, too, received instructions in nomenclature of range finders, encephalometers, guns, and magazines. In explaining the parts of the guns, the regulars used them as freely as possible, especially the guns and cartridges, so that the names of the parts were impressed upon the mind through their working, and the effect they had upon the whole scheme.

The companies of supports were in the field, while the others were at the batteries, also receiving instructions in nomenclature. They did reconnaissance duty, made skirmish attacks, deploying through the woods, routing the enemy precipitately. They also did outpost and picket duty, receiving instructions from the regular cavalry and infantry officers temporarily stationed at the post as instructors. Lieutenant Duke gave a lecture this morning to the supports in the exchange building.

The band also was at work, and running a strong competition to the saw mill. The camp is on the parade ground right in front of the mill, and for two hours this morning there was a merry tussle for supremacy. The bandmen were practicing for their regular concert. The saw mill was merely on its daily grind, and while it was at times smothered entirely, it always emerged humming cheerfully.

All morning the two forts exchanged wigwag signals. The regular and militia signal men on both sides of the river were stationed in front of the fire command stations and they exchanged messages for several hours. The light artillery battery encamped at Fort Hunt was equally busy.

ARCHBOLD'S VICTIM DIES OF INJURIES

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., July 28.—The watch which J. F. Archbold, son of the Standard Oil magnate, and his wife, have been keeping at St. Luke's Hospital here, beside the cot of the little girl whom their motor ran down last Thursday, ended late last night when the child died.

The accident happened on the Mattapoisett road. A professional chauffeur was driving at a moderate speed when seven-year-old Glimma De Mello suddenly ran in front of the machine and it passed over her body.

The Archbolds interrupted their trip to New York to return to this city, where they engaged the best medical aid for the child at a special rate, and she remained at the hospital, where Mrs. Archbold was almost prostrated by the occurrence.

CENTRAL PACIFIC SETTLES ACCOUNT

The Central Pacific railroad closed its business relations with the Government today when its check for \$2,940,000, the last payment under the funding act of 1883, was accepted by the Treasury Department.

The check was for the payment due February 1, 1909, but the returning wave of prosperity enabled the Central Pacific Railroad Company to avail itself of the advantage of paying in advance, and hence the arrival of the \$2,940,000 check. This closes the account between the railroad and Uncle Sam.

TIMES DISPATCH BOAT TO FORTS



TRACEWELL PLANS TO STUMP INDIANA

Comptroller Tracewell, of the Treasury Department, will not take his vacation before the fall, and then he will spend his time in Indiana and make a few speeches for the State and national tickets.

Comptroller Tracewell is said to be

a power on the stump, and this year the fight for Governor of the Hoosier State is a hard one.

THE IMPORTANT POINT.

"But are you sure you love me?" asked Miss Shreve.

"I swear it," replied Mr. Yerner; "I value you as I value my life."

"Ah! but do you value me as you value your life insurance?"—Catholic Standard and Times.

42 INDICTMENTS ON RACE TRACKS

NEW YORK, July 28.—The Kings county grand jury today returned forty-two indictments in connection with the race track investigation, all of them against men of minor importance.

CLOTHING ABLAZE, HE SAVES FACTORY

New York Engineer Fatally
Burned Rolling Naphtha
Barrels Out of Building.

NEW YORK, July 28.—James O'Brien, an engineer employed in the Atlantic Color Works, at 185 North Eleventh street, Williamsburg, will die of burns received last evening in a heroic fight to prevent six barrels of naphtha from catching fire and destroying the paint factory, valued at \$200,000.

Shortly after 6 o'clock O'Brien found a fire in the mixing room within fifteen feet of the naphtha. Realizing the imminent danger he began to roll out the barrels. By the time he had reached the fifth the fire had spread all over the room. Although his coat caught fire he kept at his work. The doorway was blazing when he went for the last barrel, and it was only by repeatedly slapping out the fire on his clothing and on the barrel that he succeeded in rolling it out to a safe spot. Then O'Brien fell exhausted.

His groans attracted some late workmen, who rung an alarm and called an ambulance. Dr. Roykin of the Eastern District Hospital, said that it was remarkable that the man had retained enough strength to move the last barrel, so frightful was his condition.

Deputy Fire Chief Burns said that the entire factory would have burned had the naphtha caught fire.

ANONYMOUS WRITER ATTACKS MASONS

They "Organize Very Worst Criminals to Prevent Legislation,"
He Charges.

An anonymous letter writer at Kansas City, Mo., is bombarding the Postoffice Department with denunciatory missives against the Masonic fraternity. His latest effort, written on a post card, was received in this morning's mail. It reads as follows:

"Freemasons are poisoning the legislation and government of the United States and of many other nations. Oath-bound secrecy, under penalty of assassination, enables Freemasons to combine and organize the very worst of criminals to pervert the legislation and government for extremely selfish purposes, and Freemasons have become rich and powerful usurpers and extortioners by political conspiracy and bribery, and the people are deterred by the Masonic black hand from publicly exposing or opposing the crimes of Freemasons. Cowards forfeit human rights."

The handwriting shows German origin, but the Department has no clue to the writer. In the Postmaster General's office it was suggested that maybe he had been dropped from some Masonic chapter.

DISAGREEABLE.

"Have you met your new neighbors yet?"

"No, but I know they are just as mean and disagreeable as they can be."

"How do you know that?"

"They moved in after dark! They need not think I cared to see their old furniture!"—Exchange.

EARL GOES TO JAIL, TRIAL POSTPONED

Further Investigation Necessary in
Case of Man Attacking
Young Girl.

Edward F. Earl, forty-nine years old, charged with attacking little eleven-year-old Irma Baynes on January 18, was committed to jail pending a further investigation into the case, which will probably not come to trial before next week.

Earl, who lives on the Blair road, in Maryland, was staying at the home of the child's mother, on Brightwood avenue, when the alleged assault was committed. Earl, it is understood, claims ignorance of the assault and strenuously asserts his innocence.

TO ASK SEWER BIDS.

The Commissioners will within a few days advertise for bids for the construction of sewers in New Hampshire avenue from Otis street to Rock Creek road, in New Hampshire avenue from Otis street to Newton street, and in Newton street from New Hampshire avenue to Georgia avenue. The estimated cost is \$5,000.

AMUSEMENTS.

8:15 Tonight **NEW NATIONAL** 25c 50c 75c
The ONLY Washington Theater Open.
Mats. Wed. and Sat. at 2:15.
ABORN OPERA CO. in

The Fortune Teller

Farwell Week, "The Boils of New York."

NEW ACADEMY

Opens Monday, August 3,
WITH A. H. WOODS
THINKING MELODRAMAS,
"CONVICT 999"

Seat and subscription sale Thursday, July 30, 9 a. m. 12-14

Ride Out to Beautiful Glen Echo Park Today

12-14

California White Wines

—Burger, Asti Sauternes,
Albar Wines are well mat-
ured and very refreshing.
Admitt. sparkling water.
Each \$2 doz., 75c per 2 qts.
Christian Xander's, Quality
House.
909 7th St. No branch houses.

During July and August we close
Saturdays at 1:00 p. m.;
other days at 5:00 p. m.

WE handle only qualities that give satisfac- tion and successfully compete in price with inferior grades.

When in Doubt, Buy of
House & Herrmann
7th and Eye Sts. N. W.
Complete
Homefurnishers

For Wednesday Only.

\$2.00 1 Men
Button-Front
Skirts 89c

500 Skirts,
heavy quality,
fancy tailored
button-front skirts for 1 day
only.

89c

BEHREND'S, 722-724 Seventh St. N. W.

Tomorrow Only

\$1.50 Ladies' White 69c
Canvas Oxfords.....

Every pair of white shoes left
in our stock priced to sell. Buy
now and reserve them for next
year.

HIRSH'S SHOE STORES,

1026-1028 7th St. N. W.
Between K and L Sts.

40c China Mattings 12-12c

Reduced to . . . 12c yd.

All You Want—From 1 to
100 Yards.

Best China Mattings, in beautiful
colors and designs. This matting
we have sold as high as 40 cents a
yard. We want to sell it when you
can use it.

Tomorrow we will
sell this entire stock of . . . 12c
40c grade at yard. . . 12c

GATES & RICH,

1013-1015 Seventh St. N. W.
Near New York Ave.

For a Small Amount You Tell Your Wants TO ALL WASHINGTON Through a TIMES WANT AD.

**Usual 10c
Curtain Swiss
4 3/4c**

50 pieces of
yard wide Curtain
Swiss—nice sheer
quality. Just the
kind wanted for
cool window drap-
eries for summer
homes. Tomorrow
at 4 3/4c a yard in-
stead of 10c.
(Fourth floor.)

**Enamel Ware
At Big Savings**

Turquoise Blue Triple-coated
Enamel Dipper, long
handles, sold regularly at 9c
18c each. Sale price.....

Turquoise Blue Triple-coated
Enamel Dipper, long
handles, sold regularly at 15c each. 9c
Sale price.....

Turquoise Blue Triple-coated
Enamel Berlin Saucepan, sold
regularly at 42c. Sale 29c
price.....

Turquoise Blue Triple-coated
Enamel Preserving Kettles, sold
regularly at 29c each. 19c
Sale price.....

Goldenberg's
"THE DEPENDABLE STORE"
SEVENTH AND K STREETS

Close at 5 p. m. today—Saturdays at 6 p. m. during July and August.
We rely upon a right-thinking public to give us their patronage on Satur-
days before 6 p. m.

**Sale of \$5.00
Mattresses at \$3.48**

These are not stuffed, but we've
constructed Mattresses that will
not pack.

They are made of a combination
of rattan and fiber, with cotton
top and bottom, covered with
heavy ticking, extra well tuft-
ed, and finished with tape-bound
edges.

Choice of one or two-piece
styles.

Any size desired. Bring
measurements.

Never sold for less than \$5.00.
Wednesday at \$3.48.

**39c
Ribbons
19c**

All-Silk Dresden
Ribbons, in a
good assortment
of patterns
widths up to 2
inches. Popular
styles for sashes
and hair bows.
One day at 19c a
yard instead of
39c.

Children's Slippers, Sandals, 59c pair
and Oxfords, (Worth 75c to \$1.50 a pair.)

We have culled out all the small lots and ends of lines of children's
summer footwear which we want to dispose of before inventory time
arrives—a wedding out policy that brings some remarkable bargains in
summer footwear. Included are various styles for infants and children
—all of the most reliable quality. Choose from these kinds at 59c a
pair Wednesday:

Children's White Canvas Oxfords, sizes 8 to 11 1/2.
Children's Barefoot Sandals, sizes 4 to 10.
**Children's one and two-strap Slippers, in red,
tan, and black.**
Infants' and Children's Roman Sandals.
Infants' and Children's Ankle Ties.

A not-to-be-repeated opportunity to secure a supply of summer
footwear at a wonderful saving. Choice tomorrow at 59c a pair.

WOMEN'S \$2, \$2.50, and \$3.00 OXFORDS—Choice tomorrow of wom-
en's Tan Oxfords of Tan Calf and Tan Kid, in dark and light shades;
welts and turns; including Buckle Pumps, Buckle
Colonials, Sailor and Blucher Ties, and Button Ox-
fords. Choice of fifteen styles. Remainders of lines
sold at \$2, \$2.50, and \$3 a pair. Reduced to..... **\$1.49**

**Clearing Sale of Women's
\$8, \$10 and \$12
Voile Skirts \$3.98**

You never bought such splendid Skirts for
such a small sum before—and it is only possible
now because of our determination to reduce
stocks before we take inventory.

\$3.98 buys choice of high-grade crispy Voiles
in several smart styles, in black, navy blue, and
brown. Richly trimmed with self-colored taffeta
folds and various smart designs. Wide plaited
models, correctly shaped, with excellent flare at
the bottom.

Values actually worth \$8.00, \$10.00, and
\$12.00, for \$3.98.

Rough Shantung Pongee Silks
**Reduced from 29c
50c a yard to 29c**

In no other department of the store are the reductions deeper or
more important than in the silk section. Stocks must be leveled at
once—and we're doing it by quoting prices that make clearance quick
and decisive.

Tomorrow we offer regular 30-cent quality Rough Shantung Pongee
Silks, rich lustrous quality, in white, navy, golden seal, reseda, etc. at
29c a yard. A rare opportunity for women who want a smart summer
dress or traveling suit of this handsome material.

Regular 75c Satin Liberty Foulard Silks, in neat figures, scroll
designs and space dots. Choice of navy, Alice, Copenhagen, reseda,
golden seal, tan, and black. All this season's most approved
styles. Clearance price, yard..... **39c**

Sale of Fountain Pens
14-kt Gold Pen Point 69c
Every One Guaranteed

While these Fountain Pens bear the name "Perfection," they are
identical in quality and workmanship with a widely advertised and
world-famous fountain pen, which sells for many times the amount
asked for these pens. Our agreement with the makers prevents
us from advertising the name—and we must be content with saying
that this is the biggest and best value ever offered in fountain
pens.

Each Fountain Pen is fully guaranteed, and a new pen will be given
for any that prove unsatisfactory.

Extra large barrel and flat, broad feed. Each pen point is 14-k gold,
and worth one dollar alone. Sale price, 69c.

**Steam Carpet Cleaning
3c Yard**

Steam Carpet Cleaning, modern
method that removes all dirt and
dust as well as restores color. Car-
pets taken up, cleaned, stored and
laid. Let us estimate. All kinds
cleaned—3c yard.
(Fourth floor.)

**Sale of Regular \$1.50
"Merry Widow Waists"
Tomorrow at 39c**

Another remarkable bargain in Waists—big enough and mag-
netic enough to draw a great crowd here tomorrow.

"Merry Widow" Waists, of sheer striped lawns, in pink, blue, and
brown stripes, and black and white grounds, finished with pretty Jabot
of white net. Front of waist all tucked down into the blouse. Back is
also tucked.

If you are going away, you'll find these waists very attractive for
vacation wear. Fully worth \$1.50. Tomorrow at the record-making low
price of 39c each.

**Startling Selling of
Dainty White Goods**

40c WHITE LINEN—35-inch White
Linen, made from pure linen flax,
sheer fine weave and exceptionally
firm, warranted to wash
perfectly. Regular price 60c
yard. Clearance price..... **25c**

30c WHITE BATISTE—Extra quality
imported White Mercerized Bat-
iste, in the stylish shadow stripe
effect, guaranteed to retain
its luster after washing.
Regular price 35c yd. Clear-
ance price..... **15c**

25c STRIPED MULL—1000 yards
of extra fine sheer quality highly
mercerized Satin Stripe Mull, in
dainty single and cluster
stripe designs. Regular
price 25c yard. Clearance
price..... **12 1/2c**

10c PERSIAN LAWN—Extra fine
sheer quality of imported White
Persian Lawn, 32 inches wide, a su-
perior fine even thread grade of
the sheerest texture and will
launder perfectly. Regular 15c
yard. Clearance price..... **8 3/4c**

15c PERSIAN LAWN—Extra fine
sheer quality of imported White
Persian Lawn, 32 inches wide, a su-
perior fine finish and close
woven. Regular price 15c
yard. Clearance price..... **8 3/4c**

25c EMBROIDERED SWISS—
White St. Gall Swiss, sheer and fine,
embroidered with figures and dots,
exceptionally desirable for cool
summer waists and
dresses. Regular price 25c
yard. Clearance price..... **12 1/2c**

**Clearing Sales of
Boys' Wash Suits
and Straw Hats**

Boys' Sailor Blouse Suits and Rus-
sian Belted Wash Suits; of light
gray and light blue chambray; good
washable materials that will give
splendid wear and satisfaction. Sizes
with bloomer pants. Worth
\$1 and \$1.50. Reduced to..... **69c**

Choice of our entire remaining
stock of Boys' and Children's Straw
Hats, including broad brim sailors
and stiff brim yachts, which
have been selling at \$1.00,
\$1.50 and \$2.00. Offered to-
morrow at..... **49c**

(Boys' Clothing Dept., 2d floor.)

Economies in Cottons and Bedwear

35-inch superior quality Cambric,
a soft finish close woven grade,
entirely free from dressing.
Excellent quality for making
women's summer undergar-
ments. Instead of 11c a
yard for..... **7 3/4c**

**30 dozen 6x36 Bleached Pillow
Cases;** regular size; hand torn and
ironed; finished with deep hem.
Made of heavy quality
cotton. Regular 16c val-
ue for..... **12 1/2c**

**11-quarter "Berlin" White Croch-
et Spreads,** full size for double
beds. Handsome flannel-like
patterns. Free from starch or
dressing. Regular price \$1.30
each. One day at..... **98c**

100 dozen 6x36 Unbleached Sheets,
large size; double beds; hand
torn and ironed, finished with deep
hem. Made of heavy cotton
woven sheeting cotton, with
out seam. Worth 65c each..... **49c**

Karetol Suit Cases \$1.49
Sold Regularly at \$2.50

Get one of these serviceable Karetol Suit Cases tomorrow at a saving
of a dollar, if you are going away this summer.

We offer a special lot of genuine Karetol Suit Cases, in dark brown
shade, size 24 inches, strongly made, with sole leather corners; brass
lock and soft handle, cloth lined, at \$1.49—sold regularly for \$2.50.
(Traveling Goods Dept., 2d floor.)

19c for Jap Mattings
Sold at 30c and 35c a Yard

50 rolls of this splendid quality Japanese Matting offered tomorrow in
a stirring Pre-Inventory Clean-Up. They are all perfect goods, made of
palm leaf long rush straw, closely woven on 180-warp cotton chain,
with firm even special machine edge.

In a variety of handsome carpet patterns, of red, green and blue.
Regular 30c and 35c grades tomorrow at 19c a yard.

15c and 25c Wash Belts 9c

Special lot of Wash Belts, of
poplin, flannel and linen, richly em-
broidered effects, neat tailor-made
designs and crushed belts; values
worth up to 15c and 25c. Special at
9c.

25c and 50c Veil Pins 15c

Gold and plated and fancy jeweled
Veil and Belt Pins, in a large as-
sortment of beautiful designs. Regu-
lar 25c and 50c values. Special at
15c.

10c and 15c Combs 8c

Hard Rubber Dressing Combs,
large 3-inch size, good quality heavy
backs and finished teeth. Regular
10c and 15c values. For 8c.